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CLAIMS:

1 A method for distributing information concerning recommended steps for performing a process, comprising:

providing a computer network for communicating digital data between at least two locations;

first conveying, using said computer network, a request for a recommended process sequence of steps for performing a process, said request originating at a first location and directed to a second location;

processing, at said second location, said request to produce said recommended process sequence of steps for performing said process; and

second conveying, in response to said request and using said computer network, a response that includes said recommended process sequence of steps for performing said process, said response originating at said second location and directed to said first location.

- 2. The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein: said processing includes using a decision tree for use in determining said recommended process sequence of steps.
- 3. The method as claimed in Claim 2, wherein: said decision tree includes a decision node that, based upon a decision, is used determine if a first sequence of steps or a second sequence of steps is part of said recommended process sequence of steps.
- 4. The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein: said processing includes using a notes tree for providing error proofing directions for said recommended process sequence of steps in said response.

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5. The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein: said processing includes using a notes tree for providing best practices directions for said recommended process sequence of steps in said response.

- 6. The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein: said processing includes using a tree structure that is in the form a spreadsheet.
- 7. The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein: said processing includes calculating a value associated with a step of said recommended process sequence of steps.
 - 8. The method as claimed in Claim 7, wherein: said calculating includes using a data file.
- 9. The method as claimed in Claim 7, wherein: said calculating includes using a data file that is in the form of a spreadsheet.
- 10. A method for distributing information concerning recommended steps for performing a process, comprising:

providing a computer network for communicating digital data between at least two locations;

first conveying, using said computer network, a request for a recommended process sequence of steps for performing a process, said request having originated at a first location and being directed to a second location; and

second conveying, in response to said request and using said computer network, a response that includes said recommended process sequence of steps for performing said process, said response having originated at said

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second location and being directed to said first location.

- 11. The method as claimed in Claim 10, wherein: said network includes the World Wide Web.
- 12. The method as claimed in Claim 10, wherein: said providing includes providing one of the following: a local area network and a wide area network.
- 13. The method as claimed in Claim 10, wherein: said first conveying includes conveying said request in the form of a spreadsheet.
- 14. The method as claimed in Claim 10, wherein: said second conveying includes conveying said response in the form of a spreadsheet.
- 15. The method as claimed in Claim 10, wherein: said second conveying includes conveying said recommended process sequence of steps in the form of a spreadsheet.
- 16. A method for providing information concerning recommended steps for performing a process, comprising the steps of:

providing, in a computer memory, a decision tree having at least two possible sequences of steps for performing a process;

receiving a request originating from a computer input device, for a recommended process sequence of steps for performing said process, said request including information for use in determining a recommended process sequence of steps from said at least two possible sequences in said decision tree;

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using, in a digital computer, said request and said decision tree to determine a recommended process sequence of steps for performing said process of a product; and

transmitting said recommended process sequence of steps towards a computer output device.

17. The method as claimed in Claim 16, further comprising:

permitting an expert to modify said decision tree.

18. The method as claimed in Claim 16, further comprising:

receiving said decision tree from a remote location relative to said digital computer.

- 19. The method as claimed in Claim 16, wherein: said step of receiving includes conveying said request over a computer network.
- 20. The method as claimed in Claim 16, wherein: said step of transmitting includes conveying said recommended process sequence of steps over a computer network.